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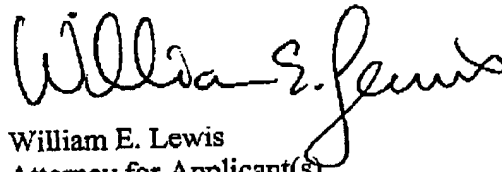
REMARKS

In the above-mentioned Advisory Action, the Examiner: (i) maintained the final rejection of claims 1-5, 7 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0037500 filed in the name of Reynolds et al. (hereinafter "Reynolds"); (ii) maintained the final rejection of claims 10-19, 22 and 26-31 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0108128 filed in the name of Lash et al. (hereinafter "Lash") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,588,013 to Lumley et al. (hereinafter "Lumley"); and (iii) allowed claim 8, which Applicants rewrote in independent form in their previous Amendment dated March 14, 2005.

In order to expedite the present application through to issuance, Applicants: (i) amend dependent claims 2-7 and 9 to now depend from allowed claim 8; and (ii) cancel all other non-allowed claims without prejudice to pursue them in a continuing application.

In view of the above, Applicants believe that the present application, including claims 2-9, is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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